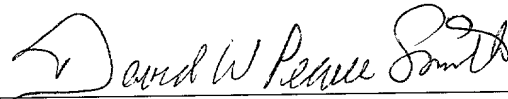


IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of)
John Liu et al) Examiner George Wyszomierski
Serial No. (not yet received)) Group Art Unit 1742
Filed (concurrently herewith)) Atty. Docket No. 96-2045
For Aluminum Alloy Extrusions Having a)
Substantially Unrecrystallized Structure)

Preliminary Amendment

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Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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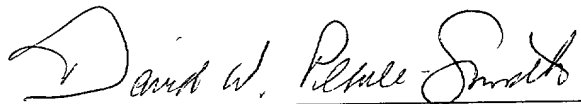
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